A Quiet Picture.

The shifting shadows lay
In charming confusion on the bare white floor,
Creeping in softly through the open door,
In a still, drowsy way,
Coming through crevices of the ivy vines
That fall in thick festoons around the pines.

The fire danced gay and bright,
With cheery light, on the ruddy oak floor,
Sending reveling from the old hearth's huge black jaws
Where, in their own rich light,
The giant logs in glowing fold lay
In glowing shapes among the ashes gray.

The baby on the floor
With tiny hands closed o'er her pearly toes,
Watches the fire blaze as it comes and goes,
And wonders more and more
Whence comes the red light on her snowy feet,
And strives to catch it in her fingers sweet.

The happy mother sits
With folded hands her weary work all done,
With the last smiling of the harvest sun,
And lists her eyes love-lit,
To the low prattle of her sweet born
Whose cheek is dewy as the early morn.

In homespun garb of gray,
The father sitting by the window wide,
Unfolds his paper with an honest pride,
And in his homely way
Reads of the people's state—its wealth and art—
With scarce one envious longing in his heart.

Upon the lonely steps
The grandfather watches for the coming moon,
While murmurs of some half-remembered tune
Drops from her faded lips;
She dreams again of older days more fair,
Nor marks the shadows flitting o'er her hair.

O baby, glad with play!
O mother, knowing not the heart's recoil!
O father, wearied only by your toil!
O grandsire, old and gray!
Would that the quiet of your day's decline
Might hush the throbbing of this life of mine.

—Every Other Saturday.

ARMA VIRUMQUE CANO.

A Train Man's Opinion About Arms—They Are Not Always What They Seem.

"You must have hold of a large number of arms in the course of a day," said a reporter to a Central Hudson train man a few days since.

"Yes, we do; I've never stopped to count them, but when we reach the end of the road this arm generally feels the tired," and he held up the member on the right side for inspection.

"How do the arms run as to size?"

"Well, there is a great deal of difference. Country women have a better formed arm than city women; I can almost always tell them on that account. They all do more work and have better food, and that goes a great way towards giving their arms a good proportion."

"But don't most of the city ladies have well-proportioned arms?"

"They seem to, but I've found that appearances are very deceitful in a great many cases. I have had hold of many an arm to-day where I could take my oath the sleeve was filled on the inside with cotton or woollen batting. You can tell very quick whether it's dry-goods or the genuine article. There's a sort of spring in padding that isn't found in flesh, and the feeling is different, also."

"I must say that I don't see how you can distinguish so well."

"I presume you fellows couldn't, but if you had the practice I get in the month you could soon tell the real substance from the false."

"How many do you assist on trains in a day?"

"That is a hard question to answer. Some days there are many more than others. So far to-day I think I've helped full 150 women on."

"Do any of them ever object to being helped on board."

"Once in a while, but it's generally some old maid who won't let a man look at her cross-eyed if she can help it.

"If they heard what you've been saying you wouldn't help as many in future."

"I don't care if they do," was the response. "It will be so much less hard work for us, but here comes another, and I guess I won't say any more," he concluded, as a fat, red-faced female of fifty 200 came puffing toward the car, and the conversation came to a close.—*Rochester Democrat.*

What He Wanted.

"Mister," said a weazzen faced man to an up-town druggist, "gimme a quarter's worth o' prussic acid, please."

"Prussic acid!" yelled the druggist; "why, man, it is a deadly poison. What do you want with prussic acid?"

"Don't want nuthin' with prussic acid," replied the man; "want essence of valerian. Other night a man axed fur valerian out in Pittsburg an' got prussic acid. Didn't want to git none o' that myse'f, so I thought if I axed for that I'd git valerian."

He got the thing he wanted.—*The Hatchet.*

He Wanted Sunday Trains.

A New Yorker rented a cottage in Ashbury Park one day last week, but an incident that happened on Sunday caused him to change his mind and break his lease. He was walking down Main street about 11 a.m. when the train from New York passed the station and continued its journey without stopping at the Park. The New Yorker opened his eyes with astonishment, when he was told by a gentleman that trains were not allowed to stop at the station on Sunday. "Very well," he said, "this is a big country, but this portion of the United States is too small to hold me, and I'll locate for the summer in a more civilized part of the globe!" And he will, for he went to the agent and had his lease cancelled.—*Monmouth Republican.*

High Life in Fifth Avenue.

An elegant turnout drove up to a fashionable residence near Fifth avenue, New York. The coachman, a tall, handsome man, sat on the box. A lower window was thrown open, and a venerable, feeble-looking old man stuck his head out, and in a thin, piping voice squeaked:

"John."

"Yes, sir" replied the coachman, touching his hat.

"Is my wife going to ride in Central Park to-day?"

"Yes, sir."

"You don't know whether or not she is going to take me along, do you, John? You didn't hear her say anything about me, did you, John?"

"No, sir."

A few minutes later a large, young, handsome woman, dressed in the height of fashion, came out of the door, smiled sweetly on the elegant coachman, and in a few minutes they were out of sight.—*Texas Siftings.*

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Thad. Stevens' Strong Individuality.

His whole life was shadowed by a deformity in the foot, which caused a slight lameness and gave a morbid sensitiveness to his nature. While in York he desired to join the lodge of Free Masons, but this physical defect rendered him ineligible. He was much chagrined and became almost violent and pronounced opponent of the order, never losing an opportunity to denounce it in unsparing terms. This hatred took a strong political bias, and from that time he was a most bitter and unrelenting anti-Mason. His strong individuality impressed every one who ever met him, and his sayings and doings are still remembered in many characteristic incidents. Judge Durkee, who, like Stevens, was a Vermonter and was an ardent and devoted admirer of that gentleman, told me he was once engaged in trying a case with him and received a letter which was positively unreadable. He gave the letter to a friend promising a liberal percentage of the prospective fee if she would translate it. She earned her reward after some hours' hard work on the epistle. His writing consisted of two or three letters in the beginning of a word, followed by an irregular scrawl.

He was once asked to read a letter of advice which he had written a client. He glanced over it, found himself quite unable to read it and handed it back with "Humph, I don't write letters to read myself. I wrote it for you to read." A gentleman once wrote asking an opinion, but neglected to enclose the customary fee. With grim humor Stevens returned a blank sheet of paper by next post.—*Philadelphia Times.*

A Queer Marauder in California.

The worthy citizens living in the suburban districts of San Francisco and Butchertown are greatly excited at present, but their excitement amounts to nothing when compared with their indignation. The peace of their home has been suddenly shattered by the advent of a crank, and all efforts have thus far been unsuccessful in ferreting him out.

Shortly after midnight a few weeks ago a gentleman living with his family near the slaughter house, was awakened from his sleep by the piercing shrieks of his daughter, a young miss of sixteen summers. He grabbed his revolver and hurriedly ran to her room, in the expectation of meeting a burglar. The girl was almost dead from fright, and in broken accents she narrated to her father the cause of the outcry. She had been rudely awakened by a tickling sensation in the soles of her feet. When she opened her eyes she saw by the aid of the pale moonlight, which was struggling through the bedroom window, a masked man standing at the foot of her bed. She shrieked, and the intruder sprang through the window out into the yard, and made his escape. Scarcely a night passes now but that some female is awakened by the fiend tickling her feet. As soon as the victim wakes up the man makes his escape either through an open window or door. In every case the prowler opens all the doors and windows in the house before he proceeds. The man wears a wide-brimmed hat, carries a dark-lantern, and has the lower portion of his face concealed by a towel or cloth. A few nights ago a married lady felt the prowler tickling her feet. She quickly lit a candle, which the intruder as promptly blew out, and then jumped through an open window.—*San Francisco Call.*

The One-Wheeled Man in the World.

"Look at my watch, my boy, and you will realize that all the wheels and springs and shafts and jewels go to make up the perfect time-piece. Just so with a man. There are lots of one-wheeled men in this world. They can sell goods, make boots, run an engine or keep a butcher shop, but outside of that they are all at sea. It is the handy man who is helping this world along—the man who is full of wheels and springs. Don't be afraid because you have planned to study law to read up on philosophy and science, and to learn how to handle tools, to analyze steam, to post yourself on whatever is worth knowing. You will discover as you grow up that the man who knows the least is the greatest bigot to argue with, and the meanest man with whom to transact business.

"Ah! boy, if you only realized how much this country will depend upon you in twenty years hence, you wouldn't waste your time. You will—sooner or later have to take hold as the rest of us did. There will be the same strife for place and fame and riches as you see to-day, and the boy who has wasted his time will be the man who is pushed here and jostled there, because he is in the way of the busy, money-making world."—*M. Quad in Detroit Free Press.*

The Squirrel's Flea Exterminator.

Marion Cobb, a responsible gentleman of the Lindsy's Mill precinct, Ky., says he saw a squirrel acting in a very peculiar manner up in the top of a tree, and it caused him to stop and watch its actions. Pretty soon it came down the tree bearing a bunch of something in its mouth, and went directly to the creek. When it got to the edge of the water it turned round and backed into the creek until the water covered it entirely, except the tip of its nose, when it let go the bunch, which floated off down the creek. To gratify his curiosity, Marion went down and got the bunch, and found, he says, that it had a million fleas on it.—*Owenton News.*

Eve's Side of the Apple Story.

To this day they are denouncing Eve in the Appel-late Court with Adam. The story as told by Adam's friends is believed; but just wait till Eve gives her evidence in the case. The chances are that Adam got away with the best part of the fruit, and returned to Mrs. Adam a small piece of the core. If Adam possessed the same characteristics that most of the men of the present decade are the possessors of, the chances are seven to eight that he did. Eve was very fortunate in getting a nibble of the core, even if she never had an opportunity to give rebuttal testimony.—*Pretzel's Weekly.*

What Number of Meals to Eat.

From the Caterer.

Respecting the number of meals one ought to patronize, that must be regulated by want and habit. To digest well, it is necessary that the stomach should have completely dealt with the previous meal. However, feeble and delicate stomachs have need to eat but little at a time, though frequently; also, to make an intelligent selection of those aliments which refresh, heat and sustain. The aliment which digests best is the most suitable. Digestion is but the preference of the stomach for something it likes, the attraction of suitable ingredients; it is the sustaining of our organs and their tissues, and if the stomach be healthy and well-constituted its instinct will never be at fault. "Strawberries and cream make me sad," said Madame de Deffand, but they agreed with her not the less.

—People who read and reflect, after reading, upon the many published testimonials regarding Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery and Dyspeptic Cure, can scarcely fail to perceive that evidence so positive and concurrent could not be induced in behalf of a remedy of doubtful efficacy. The facts proven by such evidence are that it rests on impurities of the blood, restores digestion, enriches the circulation, and regulates the bowels and liver.

We can be thankful to a friend for new acres, or a little money, and yet for the freedom and command of the whole earth, and for the great benefits of our being, our life, health and reason, we look upon ourselves under no obligation.

—Mr. Alexander Robinson of Exeter, in writing about one of the most popular articles, and one that has done more good to the afflicted than any other medicine has during the short time it has been in existence, says: "I have used four bottles of Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery and Dyspeptic Cure, and have been cured of dyspepsia that troubled me for over ten years. Part of that time I had it very bad, and I was at considerable expense trying to get relief; but this excellent medicine was the first and only relief I received."

All ways of earning his bread are alike becoming to an honest man, whether to split wood or to sit at the helm of state. It does not concern his conscience how useful he is, but how useful he would be.

Depend Upon It.

—You can depend upon Hagyard's Yellow Oil as a relieve in rheumatism, neuralgia, and all pain and inflammatory complaints. It not only relieves but cures. 246

Great character is as rare a thing as great genius, if it be not even a nobler form of it. Surely it is easier to embody fine thinking, or delicate sentiment, or lofty aspiration in a book than in life.

—Robert Lubbuck, Cedar Rapids, writes: "I have used Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil both for myself and family for diphtheria, with the very best results. I regard it as the best remedy for this disease, and would use no other." When buying Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, see that you get the genuine. Beware of imitations.

I would not have the impure water, which has long been unfit to use, preserved. But I would not have it thrown away before we know whence to get purer.

—P. M. Markell, West Jeddore, N. S., writes: "I wish to inform you of the wonderful qualities of Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil. I had a horse so lame that he could scarcely walk; the trouble was in the knee; and two or three applications completely cured him."

All men who know not where to look for truth save in the narrow well of self-will find their own image at the bottom, and mistake it for what they are seeking.

—Worms cause feverishness, moaning and restlessness during sleep. Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator is pleasant, sure, and effectual. If your druggist has none in stock got him to procure it for you.

Not the truth of which any one is, or supposes himself to be, possessed, but the upright endeavor he has made to arrive at truth, makes the man.

—A field of corns.—Thomas Sabin of Eglington, says: "I have used Holloway's Corn Cure with the best results, having removed ten corns from my feet. It is not a half way cure or relieves, but a complete extinguisher, leaving the skin smooth and clear from the least appearance of the corns."

If there ever was a good man he certain there was another, and will be more.

He that passeth by and meddleth with strife belonging not to him, is like one that taketh a dog by the ears.

—West Toronto Junction is within a few minutes of the Union station by the trains of either the Ontario and Quebec and the Grand Trunk or the Northern. Real estate in the neighborhood has steadily risen in value and promises to advance still more rapidly. Some of the best lots in West Toronto are to be had from George Clarke, 295 Yonge street.

Our times are in His hand
Who saith, "A whole I planned,
Youth sows but half; trust God; see all, nor be afraid."

An ounce of pluck is worth a pound of luck.

Talent is that which is in a man's power; genius is that in whose power a man is.

A Priceless Possession.

—A man may possess the fortune of a prince but can never possess happiness without good health; to secure which the blood must be kept pure and every organ in proper action. Burdock Blood Bitters purify the blood and regulate all the organs. 246

Anxiety is the poison of life, the sure destroyer of health, the parent of many sins and of more injuries. Why then allow it, when we know that all the future is guided by a Father's hand.

I always told you that not having enough sunshine was what ailed the world. Make the people happy and there will not be half the quarreling or a tenth part of the wickedness there is.

Let the bad but steal or borrow
Room and favor of to-day.
Right may freely have to-morrow
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C. & O. Ry	6.00	6.20	9.45	10.45
G. W. R.	7.40	3.10	11.45	7.20
G. T. R. West	6.30	4.00	10.30	8.30
N. & N.W.	6.00	4.00	11.00	8.50
G. T. & B.	6.00	3.40	12.00	9.15
Midland	6.00	3.45	9.50	5.50
C. V. R.	6.00	2.45	9.00	1.10
U. S. N. Y.	11.30	9.30	8.30	7.20
U. S Chicago		9.30		
British Mails—Monday		9.30		
" " Wednesday		9.30		
" " Thursday		9.30		

TORONTO RAILWAY TIME TABLE

Departure and Arrival of Trains from and at Union Station.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

Departures, Main Line East.

7.15 a.m.—Mixed for Belleville.

8.30 a.m.—Fast express for Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, Portland, Boston, etc.

1 p.m.—Mixed for Kingston and intermediate stations.

5.30 p.m.—Local for Belleville and intermediate stations.

8.00 p.m.—Express for main points, Ottawa, Montreal, etc., runs daily.

Arrivals, Main Line East.

9.18 a.m.—Express from Montreal, Ottawa and main local points.

10.15 a.m.—Local from Belleville.

6.48 p.m.—Mixed from all points east.

10.35 p.m.—Express from Boston, Quebec, Portland, Montreal, Ottawa, etc.

Departures, Main Line West.

7.55 a.m.—Local for all points west to Detroit.

1 p.m.—Express for Port Huron, Detroit, Chicago and all western points.

4.00 p.m.—For Stratford and London.

6.25 p.m.—Mixed for Stratford and Sarnia.

11.15 p.m.—Express for Sarnia and western points; sleeping car for Detroit.

Arrivals, Main Line West.

8.55 a.m.—Mixed from Sarnia and intermediate points.

8.10 a.m.—Express from Chicago, Detroit, Port Huron, and all western points.

12.32 p.m.—Local from London, Goderich, etc.

7.10 p.m.—Express from all points west, Chicago, Detroit, etc.

11.15 p.m.—Local from London, Stratford, etc.

Departures, Great Western Division.

7.15 a.m.—For Niagara Falls, Buffalo and local stations between Niagara Falls and Windsor.

9.25 a.m.—For Detroit, St. Louis and points in the southwest.

12.20 p.m.—For Detroit, Chicago and the west and all points east from Hamilton; runs daily.

3.35 p.m.—For Niagara Falls, Buffalo, New York, Boston and local stations between Hamilton and London, and Brantford, St. Thomas, etc.

6.30 p.m.—Local stations between Toronto and Niagara Falls.

11 p.m.—For Niagara Falls, Buffalo, New York, Boston and all points east and west of Hamilton.

Arrivals, Great Western Division.

8.25 a.m.—Express from Chicago, Detroit, Hamilton, etc.

10.15 a.m.—Express from London, St. Catharines, Hamilton, etc

1.45 p.m.—Express from New York, Boston Buffalo and all points east.

4.30 p.m.—Express from New York, Boston Chicago, Detroit, London, etc., runs daily.

7.05 p.m.—Mail from Buffalo, Detroit, London, Hamilton and intermediate stations.

7.45 p.m.—Express from Detroit, St. Louis, etc.

11.10 p.m.—Local from London and intermediate stations.

Suburban Trains Great Western Division.

Leave Toronto at 7.35, 10.55 a.m., and 2, 4.20 and 5.30 p.m.

Returning leave Mimico 8.35 and 11.35 a.m., and 2.35, 4.55 and 6.05, calling at Queen's wharf, Parkdale, High park and the Humber, both coin and returning.

Sunday Trains, G. W. Division.

Trains leaving Toronto for Hamilton at 12.20 and arriving from Hamilton at 4.20 p.m., run on Sundays, but do not stop at intermediate stations.

Departures, Midland Division.

9.15 a.m.—Mixed—Peterboro and intermediate stations.

7.35 a.m.—Mail—Sutton, Midland, Orillia, Coboconk, Haliburton, Lindsay, Port Perry, Whitby, Peterboro, Lakefield, Port Hope, Madoc, Belleville, Hastings, Campbellford and intermediate stations.

4.35 p.m.—Mail—Sutton, Midland, Orillia, Coboconk, Lindsay, Port Perry, Whitby, Peterboro, Port Hope and intermediate stations.

5.15 p.m.—Mixed—Sutton and intermediate stations.

Arrivals, Midland Division.

12.25 p.m.—Express. 10.45 a.m.—Mixed from Sutton and intermediate stations. 9.20 a.m.—Mail. 5.00 p.m.—Mixed from Peterboro.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Departures, Credit Valley Section.

8.10 a.m.—St. Louis express, for principal stations on main line and branches, and for Detroit, Toledo, St. Louis and Kansas city.

1.25 p.m.—Pacific express, for Galt, Woodstock, Ingersoll, St. Thomas, Detroit, Chicago, and all points west and north-west.

4.10 p.m.—Local express for all points on main line, Orangeville and Elora branches.

6 a.m.—Mixed for all stations on main line.

Arrivals, Credit Valley Section.

8.45 a.m.—Express from all stations on main line and branches.

5.35 p.m.—Atlantic express from Chicago and all points west and stations on main line.

8.10 a.m.—Montreal express from all stations on main line and branches.

10.55 a.m.—Mixed from St. Thomas.

Departures, Toronto, Grey and Bruce Section.

7.20 a.m.—Mail for Orangeville, Owen Sound, Teeswater and all intermediate stations.

4.40 p.m.—Express for Orangeville, Owen Sound and Teeswater.

8.15 a.m.—Mixed from Toronto Junction.

Arrivals, Toronto, Grey and Bruce Section.

10.45 a.m.—Express from Owen Sound and Teeswater.

8.30 p.m.—Mail from Owen Sound and Teeswater.

4.45 p.m.—Mixed arrives at Toronto Junction

Departures, Ontario and Quebec Section.

8.25 a.m.—Limited express for Peterboro, Norwood, Perth, Smith's Falls, Ottawa, Montreal, and intermediate points.

3.35 p.m.—Mixed for Peterboro, Norwood and all intermediate stations.

7.55 p.m.—Montreal express for Peterboro, Norwood, Perth, Smith's Falls, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec and all points east.

Arrivals, Ontario and Quebec Section.

8.30 a.m.—St. Louis express from Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Brockville, Peterboro, and intermediate points.

11.55 p.m.—Mixed from Peterboro, Norwood and intermediate points.

9.55 p.m.—Toronto express from Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Brockville, Peterboro and intermediate points.

NORTHERN RAILWAY

Trains depart from and arrive at City hall station, stopping at Union and Brock street stations.

Departures.

7.45 a.m.—Mail for Muskoka wharf, Orillia, Meaford, Penetang and intermediate stations, making direct connections at Muskoka wharf with Muskoka boats.

12.00 noon—Steamboat express for Muskoka wharf, Collingwood and Meaford, making direct connections at Collingwood with steamers for Sault Ste. Marie and Port Arthur.

5.05 p.m.—Express for Collingwood, Penetang, Orillia and Barrie.

12.30 p.m.—Muskoka special express each Saturday during July and August for Muskoka wharf, connecting with steamers for Lakes Muskoka, Rosseau and Joseph.

Arrivals.

10.15 a.m.—Express from Collingwood, Orillia, Barrie and intermediate points.

1.45 p.m.—Accommodation from Meaford, Collingwood, Penetang, Muskoka wharf, Orillia, Barrie and intermediate points.

8.15 p.m.—Mail from Penetang, Muskoka, Orillia, Barrie and intermediate stations.

1.57 p.m.—Muskoka special express, Mondays only, July and August.

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Canada Life	799,824	131,713	54,000
Confederation	330,377	94,639	75,467
Equitable, N.Y.	392,404	82 039	305,000
Life Association	47,622	10,315	95,540
London & Lanc.	1 6,431	57,731	109,522
North American	99,941	55,588	50,000
Ontario Mutual	180,543	99,070	91,753
Standard	270 293	64,572	155,900
Sun, of Montreal	174 025	25,471	54,400
Travellers	117, 80	22,976	140,500
Union Mutual	114,449	18,615	170,000

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